

Mahathir to visit S. Pacific countries

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. — Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will make an official visit to three South Pacific countries beginning on June 3.

He will be accompanied by his wife, Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah, and Foreign Minister Tan Sri

Ghazali Shafie during his eight-day visit to Fiji, Tonga and Western Samoa.

Senior officials from Wisma Putra, the Economic Planning Unit, the Implementation Co-ordination Unit and the Ministry of Trade and Industry will also accompany him.

A Wisma Putra statement said today the visit is aimed at strengthening existing relations between Malaysia and the South Pacific countries.

It is also aimed at exploring possible areas of bilateral co-operation with the Island States. — Bernama.